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SUBJ: KOREA UN RESOLUTIONS AND NON-ALIGNED MEMBERSHIP

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SUMMARY: ROK AMBASSADOR DAKAR (ALSO ACCREDITED TO GAMBIA)
TELLS US GOTG WILL CO-SPONSOR ROK MEMBERSHIP IN NON-
ALIGNED GROUP AT LIMA, AND WILL SUPPORT FRIENDLY UN
RESOLUTION, THOUGH GOTG CO-SPONSORSHIP ON LATTER NOT YET
ASSURED. SENEGALESE FON MINISTRY OFFICIAL CONFIRMS THAT
GOS WILL VOTE FOR ROK ADMISSION TO NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE,
BUT WILL NOT SPONSOR ROK RESOLUTION ON ADMISSION. ROK AND
USG DEMARCHES AT GOS FON MINISTRY SOUGHT SENEGALESE SUPPORT
FOR SIMULTANEOUS CONSIDERATION OF TWO KOREAS' APPLICATIONS
FOR NON-ALIGNED MEMBERSHIP. FON MINISTRY OFFICIALS
NON-COMMITTAL BUT AGREED TO GIVE OUR ARGUMENTS NEW
CONSIDERATION. ROK AMBASSADOR RECOMMENDS AND WE AGREE THAT
FURTHER DEMARCHES ON GOS ROLE CONCERNING UN RESOLUTIONS
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SHOULD BE DELAYED UNTIL PRESIDENT SENGHOR RETURNS HERE IN

EARLY SEPTEMBER.

1. EMBASSY HAS MAINTAINED CLOSE CONTACT WITH ROK EMBASSY HERE ON UN ISSUES. DURING CONSULTATION IN DAKAR AUGUST 16 ENROUTE TO BANJUL, CHARGE WYGANT MET WITH KOREAN COUNSELOR CHOI TO COORDINATE APPROACHES TO GOTG ON KOREAN RESOLUTIONS. SUBSTANCE REFTEL B PASSED EMBASSY BANJUL AUGUST 18 AS FURTHER BACKGROUND FOR CONSULTATIONS WITH GOTG. EMBASSY BANJUL WILL REPORT GOTG REACTION TO US APPROACH VIA SEPTTEL.

2. BEFORE APPROACHING GOS PURSUANT TO REFTEL B (AND PRIOR TO RECEIPT OF REFTEL C) CHARGE CALLED ON ROK AMBASSADOR CHI IN DAKAR AUGUST 19 TO ENSURE THAT DEMARCHES WERE COORDINATED. CHI HAD RECEIVED CABLE FROM SEOUL INDICATING SENEGAL ON AUGUST 14 REGISTERED WITH UN SECRETARIAT AS CO-SPONSOR OF HOSTILE RESOLUTION. WHEN CONFRONTED BY CHI ON AUGUST 18, ACTING FON MIN BOB AND FON MIN CABINET DIRECTOR SYLLA BOTH DENIED KNOWLEDGE OF SENEGALESE DECISION AND ON AUGUST 19 FON MINISTRY OFFICIALS STILL SAID THEY WERE UNINFORMED ABOUT SUCH GOS CO-SPONSORSHIP. CHI BELIEVES THAT FON MIN SECK AND UN PERM REP FALL MET AUGUST 13 IN PARIS WITH PRESIDENT SENGHOR, WHO HAD JUST COMPLETED TWO-WEEK VISIT TO ROMANIA, AND WERE ADVISED OF PRESIDENTIAL DECISION ON KOREA RESOLUTION THEN. CHI HAS REQUESTED AUDIENCE WITH SENGHOR AFTER LATTER'S RETURN FROM VACATION IN EARLY SEPTEMBER TO ARGUE THAT SENEGAL SHOULD CONSIDER ABSENTING ITSELF DURING UN VOTE AND NOT SPEAK AGAINST FRIENDLY RESOLUTION, DESPITE GOS CO-SPONSORSHIP OF COMMUNIST RESOLUTION. CHI IS NOT OPTIMISTIC ABOUT PROSPECTS FOR GETTING EVEN THAT DEGREE OF SUPPORT FROM GOS.

3. CHI INDICATED GAMBIAN FON MINISTER HAD ASSURED HIM OF GOTG SUPPORT FOR UN RESOLUTION, BUT HAD NOT YET AGREED TO CO-SPONSOR. JAPANESE AMBASSADOR RESIDENT IN DAKAR PLANS MEET GOTG FON MINISTER AUGUST 20 IN BANJUL TO URGE CO-SPONSORSHIP UN RES. JAPANESE WILL CALL FIRST ON US CHARGE AND UK HIGH COMMISSIONER TO DESCRIBE ROK AMBASSADOR'S MORE RECENT EFFORTS AND COORDINATE APPROACH.

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4. ROK AMBASSADOR CHI ALSO DISCUSSED WITH CHARGE TWO KOREAS' APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSION TO LIMA NON-ALIGNED MEETING. HE SAID GAMBIA FOREIGN MINISTER HAD ASSURED HIM LAST WEEK THAT GOTG WOULD CO-SPONSOR ROK DRAFT RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING BOTH ROK AND DPRK FOR MEMBERSHIP. GOS FOREIGN MINISTER SECK TOLD CHI GOS WOULD SUPPORT ROK CANDIDACY AT LIMA, BUT WOULD NOT CO-SPONSOR RESOLUTION OR SPEAK IN FAVOR OF ROK. CHI IS APPREHENSIVE THAT AUGUST 23 AMBASSADORIAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE OR AUGUST 24 FOREIGN MINISTERS COORDINATING COMMITTEE MEETINGS IN LIMA MIGHT TAKE UP ROK MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION SEPARATELY AND KILL IT. HE THEREFORE ASKED US TO URGE GOS TO INSTRUCT DELEGATION TO SUPPORT SIMULTANEOUS DISCUSSION OF ADMISSION OF BOTH KOREAS, AS RECOMMENDED IN ROK RESOLUTION. JAPANESE AMBASSADOR WILL ALSO TAKE THIS MESSAGE TO BANJUL AND WORK WITH AMERICAN CHARGE AND BRITISH HC ALONG SAME LINE.

5. IN SUBSEQUENT AUGUST 19 MEETING WITH GOS FON MINISTRY
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DIRECTOR OF EXTERNAL RELATIONS KANDE AND MINISTRY'S UN DIVISION DIRECTOR SAMBA MBODJ (WHO WILL ATTEND LIMA CONFERENCE) CHARGE EMPHASIZED DESIRABILITY OF SIMULTANEOUS DISCUSSION OF BOTH KOREAS' NON-ALIGNED MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS, NOTING THAT MORE EVEN-HANDED INTERNATIONAL APPROACH COULD HAVE SALUTARY EFFECT IN DISCOURAGING NORTH KOREAN BELLICOSITY AND ENCOURAGING PEACEFUL RESOLUTION OF DIFFERENCES BETWEEN NORTH AND SOUTH. KANDE REVIEWED HISTORY OF SENEGALESE EFFORTS TO "TREAT BOTH KOREAS EQUALLY", AND SAID THAT POLICY REMAINED IN FORCE. HE SAID SENEGAL HAS AGREED TO SPONSOR DPRK CANDIDACY FOR NON-ALIGNED GROUP SIMPLY BECAUSE

DPRK HAD ASKED FIRST. HE CONFIRMED THAT WHILE SENEGAL WOULD VOTE TO SUPPORT ROK ADMISSION, IT WAS NOT PREPARED CO-SPONSOR. ON THE MATTER OF SIMULTANEITY, HE SAID NO DECISION HAD BEEN REACHED ON SUCH TACTICS, BUT INDICATED THAT MINISTRY OFFICIALS PLANNED TO DISCUSS THE KOREAN ISSUE FURTHER AFTER RECEIVING CHARGE'S DEMARCHE.

6. COMMENT: SENEGAL'S PROFESSED NEUTRALITY TOWARD KOREAS' AT LIMA MEETING IS NOT REASSURING AND FON MINISTRY OFFICIALS SEEM ILL-AT-EAST DEFENDING A POLICY WHICH PROBABLY HAS BEEN DECIDED BY PRESIDENT SENGHOR PERSONALLY DURING HIS PRESENT EUROPEAN SOJOURN. AS FOR SENEGAL'S POSITION IN UN, AMBASSADOR CHI CONSIDERS GOS CO-SPONSORSHIP OF HOSTILE RESOLUTION CONSISTENT WITH PAST POLICY, WITH UNDERSTANDINGS REACHED DURING SENGHOR'S 1974 VISIT TO PYONGYANG, WITH PROBABLE RESULTS OF JUST-COMPLETED TRIP TO RUMANIA, AND WITH GENERALLY ANTIPATHETIC POSITION TAKEN BY GOS UN PERM REP FALL TOWARD ROK. CHI HAS CONCLUDED THAT FURTHER APPROACHES TO GOS BY US AND ROK ON UN RESOLUTIONS WOULD NOT BE PRODUCTIVE UNTIL PRESIDENT SENGHOR RETURNS. EMBASSY AGREES WITH THAT CONCLUSION.

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